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SUBJECT: SANAA EAC MEETING

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Classified By: RSO William Mellott for reasons 1.4 (a) and (d)

1. (S/NF) On 10/03/05, EAC met to discuss RefTel's A and B. Members in attendance were AMB, MO, RSO, POLM, OMC, DAO, POLE, PD, CONS, LEGATT, AID, AND CCE.

2. (S/NF) ROYG Foreign Embassy Travel Policy: Ambassador advised the EAC that he had spoken to the Minister of Interior about the ROYG travel policy concerning the U.S. Embassy. He broached the issue of relaxing armed escorts to certain areas of the country and bringing the ROYG's travel policy towards official Americans more in line to that of other Missions in Sanaa. Ambassador advised, the Minister was not receptive to the idea, but that he would like to revisit the issue after Ramadan and President Saleh's visit to the U.S. in November.

3. (SBU) Consular Travel Warning: EAC members discussed revising the Consular Travel Warning, all agreed that the security situation in Yemen had improved enough to warrant a review. Members agreed that the language should be toned down from "defer non-essential travel" to "strongly urges U.S. citizens to consider carefully the risks of traveling to Yemen".

4. (S/NF) EAC members had no other issues to discuss and agreed to hold the next scheduled EAC meeting after the first Country Team meeting in November, barring any incidents that would warrant an unscheduled meeting.  
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